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Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has the honour to bring to the attention of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management its report, prepared with the assistance of the World Bank Group, on new developments with regard to national geospatial data and information systems. The report will be made available in the language of submission only from the website of the Committee of Experts (http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html). The Committee of Experts is invited to take note of the report and to express its views on how the global geospatial information management community can actively contribute to the development of frameworks for national geospatial data and information systems for Member States.

Summary of the report

In its report, prepared with the assistance of the World Bank Group, the Secretariat informs the Committee of Experts on the joint efforts by the Statistics Division and the World Bank to explore and develop possible mechanisms for geospatial data, infrastructure and policies to be embedded more holistically within concessional financing, technical assistance and knowledge-sharing services and their subsequent implementation in developing countries. In the report, the Secretariat informs the Committee of the need for collaboration in developing an overarching geospatial framework that countries could reference when using geospatial information to develop national systems tailored to their own situations. The framework would include an action plan and road map on means for implementation, as well as elements such as the economic impact and value of geospatial information systems, investment needs and associated tools, guides and good practices.

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